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In re Application of:

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**For: SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED
CIRCUIT DEVICE WITH ENHANCED
RESISTANCE TO ELECTROSTATIC
BREAKDOWN**

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Group Art Unit: 2836

Examiner: Z. Kitov

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(c), Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the events recited in § 1.97(b) but, to the undersigned's knowledge, before the mailing date of either a Final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance.

Please charge the fee of \$180.00 due in connection with the filing of this Statement as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310.

Although Applicant respectfully asserts that MPEP 609(I)(A)(2) directs the Examiner to consider information which has been considered by the Office in a parent application, Applicant concurrently submits herewith another Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) that includes a

legible copy of Japanese reference JP 11-505374. In addition, Applicant respectfully notes that an English-language Abstract of Japanese reference JP 11-505374 is currently unavailable, and thus, US 5,548,135, which is the priority document for Japanese reference JP 11-505374, is being provided as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(ii). Furthermore, Applicant includes a Notification of Reason(s) for Refusal issued by the Japanese Patent Office which clearly cites Japanese reference JP 11-505374 as being relevant to Applicant's Claimed Priority Document JP 11-213098, as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)(i).

No copy of the U.S. patent document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notation on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that the listed documents are material or constitutes "prior art." If it should be determined that the listed documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicant reserves the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicant further reserves the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. §1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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